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Subject: Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order (NPRM), WT Docket No. 05-235

I strongly support the proposal in the subject NPRM to amend FCC amateur service rules to eliminate the requirement that individuals pass a telegraphy examination in order to qualify for any amateur radio operator license.

Objectively, telegraphy is now simply one of many efficient communications modes available to the amateur radio community and as such does not deserve such special status that showing an operational proficiency in this one mode alone should be a requirement for an amateur radio operator license. In my view, the current telegraphy examination requirement is a sentimental anachronism, long overdue for elimination.

Respectfully,

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